

'Optimistic Future' Says James After Meeting With Paul Sauvé

Nationwide Petition Planned

BULLETIN — (CUP) — Late last night the Daily learned that the University of British Columbia's Alma Mater Society plans to launch a uniform nation-wide petition beseeching Premier Nikita Khrushchev to intercede in the alleged pending execution of Hungarian youths.

Peter Meekison, AMS President, told the Canadian University Press in Vancouver that he expects 75,000 university students from all across Canada to sign the petition. The original signatures and a covering letter will be sent to Khrushchev, while photostatic copies will be forwarded to Premier Diefenbaker urging him to intercede in the United Nations.

Standard forms for the petition will be sent to all Canadian universities and the signed petitions will be returned to UBC. Said Meekison, "I urge every student to sign the petition. If there is any hope, immediate voicing of our disapproval of such brutal police state tactics is the only solution".

He added that the national NFCUS executive was solidly behind the plan.

Meanwhile the Daily heard that several NFCUS executives, including the president, had not even been asked to voice their views on the plan. It was the first time they had heard of the proposed nation-wide petition.

In Ottawa, NFCUS national president Jacques Guerin issued the following statement:

"The spontaneous reaction of students at UBC and other universities sparked by the initiative of UBC Alma Mater Society President Peter Meekison is highly commendable and denotes the indignation of Canadian students at reports of treatment suffered by fellow students in Hungary. The National Executive is presently studying reports and pressing for definite information from unimpeachable sources. We will determine the extent of the action to be taken in light of this information. However, we reaffirm our sympathy with any students who are suffering for the right to live freely."

Atlantic Ocean Occupies Spotlight in Redpath Hall

To-night professors and students battle it out in Redpath Hall at 8:30 pm. The occasion is the second Public Debate presented by the McGill Debating Union in which the two sides will discuss "Resolved that this House Thanks God for the Atlantic."

Last June on television McGill students spoke before a panel of judges to show the relative merits of Oxford and North American debating styles. Two of the judges at that time were Professor Hugh MacLennan of McGill and Professor Emmett O'Grady of the University of Ottawa. Both professors agreed that the Oxford team was far superior to that of McGill.

CANADIAN DEBATING

The McGill Debating Union has invited Professors MacLennan and O'Grady to come to McGill to learn a little more about Canadian debating.

The McGill debaters, Norman May and Morris Fish, will uphold the affirmative of the proposed resolution, while the professors will take the negative.

Both faculty members are professors of English at their respective universities. Hugh MacLennan is Associate Professor of English at McGill. He is author of the best-seller, "The Watch that Ends the Night", and winner of the Governor-General's Prize for writing on several occasions. Emmett O'Grady is chairman of the English Department at Ottawa University. He has appeared on numerous radio and television panels, authored a column in the Ottawa Journal entitled "How's Your French", and has written various critical articles on modern Western fiction writers.

LAW TEAM

Both Fish and May are students in the Faculty of Law at McGill. Fish is past-president of the Debating Union and May is this year's

treasurer. Both students have had much practice in inter-collegiate debating tournaments, and hold most of the senior awards given by the Debating Union for speaking proficiency. Last year they won numerous debates in a tour they made of several Toronto Universities.

Professor J. R. Mallory, Chairman of the Department of Economics and Political Science at McGill, will chair the debate. As Professor Mallory is an authority on Canadian government he is well qualified for the position of moderator in to-night's debate.

The debate will be held in Redpath Hall this evening, at 8:30 pm. Admission is free, and the public is invited to attend.

NOVICE TRIALS

Trials to select the Novice Intercollegiate Debating team will continue today from 1-4 pm in the Walter M. Stewart Room of the Union.

All candidates are required to present a five minute speech affirmative or negative on any of the following three resolutions.

1. Resolved that Congress should have the power to reverse decisions of the Supreme Court.

2. Resolved that this house deplores the disappearance of campus communists.

3. Resolved that a wife is more useful than a wheelbarrow.

All students are reminded that no prior experience in debating is necessary. Judging will be standardized so that all students

will have equal opportunities. A total of twenty students will be chosen from the elimination trials.

Principal F. Cyril James and Premier Paul Sauvé conferred for one hour and a half yesterday morning in Quebec city. Topic under discussion was the general problems of McGill University.

Commenting on his meeting with Sauvé, Dr. James told the Daily last night, "I had a thoroughly interesting and thoroughly agreeable one and a half hour discussion. Afterwards I had the opportunity to explain McGill's detailed financial needs to Education Superintendent Omer Desaulniers." Dr. James emphasized that the meeting had been on a very pleasant basis. He added, "Mr. Sauvé and I explored the whole situation and exchanged ideas. I am optimistic about the future."

LEGISLATION DRAFT

Premier Sauvé and Mr. Desaulniers have already had conferences with the rectors of Laval and U. of M. Information garnered from these meetings and that with Dr. James is presumably being used to aid in drafting legislation providing increased financial aid to the province's universities. Sauvé has already put himself on record as planning to introduce such legislation on the first day of this fall's legislature sitting, November 18.

AID PLANS

Yesterday afternoon Sauvé elaborated on his plans for increased provincial aid in discussions with the press.

He was quoted by the Montreal Star as saying that the provincial government will provide adequate aid. Said the Premier, "Our policy is very simple. Quebec universities will receive all the money they need to balance their budgets."

GRANT PAYMENT

No mention was made of the 25 millions of dollars in federal grants held in trust in Ottawa for Quebec universities since former premier Maurice Duplessis frowned upon them as intrusions into provincial autonomy the year after their inauguration.

The grants are to be paid out of the public education department budget. At the present time it is impossible to make an exact prediction as to how much this new government aid to universities will cost. It is assumed, however, that the figure will run into several million dollars.

Universities Woo Back Senior Staff

As part of its \$52,000,000 five-year expansion plan, the University of Toronto announced its intention to attract top Canadian scholars now serving in senior positions in the United States.

In a report released last night, Dr. Claude Bissell, president of the university, said the appointment and retention of a good staff was the most important way to retain the high standard of quality in the face of the proposed expansion.

By 1965 the University expects to expand to 23,000 students which is considered the saturation point for the U. of T.

Various benefits will be offered the scholars, in an attempt to bring them back to the Canadian university. Among these benefits are financial assistance in moving, group insurance plans, and an increase in travel funds which will enable the scholars to attend educational society meetings.



— Charles Kinghorn

Scene from the Players Club production of "The Bald Soprano", by Eugene Ionesco. Left to right are Jim Khazzam as Mr. Martin, Stuart Ponte as the Fire Chief, and Ian Heron as Mr. Smith. The play will be presented on Saturday, November 7, at 7:30 and 9:30 in the Walter M. Stewart Room. Tickets at 50 cents are now on sale at the Union Box Office.

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Up for Grabs

On November 26 eleven posts as faculty representatives to the Students' Executive Council will be up for grabs — up for grabs because more often than not the members win their elections by sheer fluke.

On election day, and at least once before, platforms, pensketches, and photos will be paraded before the eyes of the students in the *Daily*. Behind the scenes action before the submission of pensketches to the *Daily* is a comic opera in itself. Aspirants to the job will jostle for those "names" in their respective faculties which are sure to "guarantee" election. Almost every faculty possesses its student Kingmaker and his name will be the most sought after autograph of the season.

The more politically-minded often go further. In addition to the twenty-five names requisite for nomination, candidates in the larger faculties will circulate several nomination papers. The theory behind it is simple: get as many people to "nominate" you — whether they know you or not — and at least ninety per cent of the nominators will cast their votes your way.

Posters blaring the candidates' platforms will make their appearance on campus notice boards. Friends of candidates ask their friends to vote for their friend, and these in turn often hop on the bandwagon, recommending their friends to vote the same way as well.

All in all it sounds like a good old fashioned, lively election. But there is one catch — less than fifty per cent of the eligible voters will choose to cast their ballots, and a mere ten per cent of those voting will have had any personal contact with the candidates involved.

The presentation of the candidates' views, pensketches, and photographs are all very fine. In this respect, McGill is much advanced compared to other Canadian universities which seem to lack even such a presentation in their respective college newspapers. But pensketches and platforms reveal only the positive side of the nominee and at that only what the candidate chooses to tell his electors. A close parallel can be drawn to the elections in the Soviet Union where, if campaign speeches are made at all, the candidate can only extoll upon the virtues of himself and his party. Soviet elections are not democratic; at most, student elections at McGill are only half democratic.

Admittedly, much of the blame for our present state of affairs lies with the general apathy of the student body. On the other hand, a do-nothing attitude on the part of the student leaders cannot hope to solve the problem. It boils down to the question of which came first, the chicken or the egg?

An effective solution to the problem will not be easily found. Rather, a step-by-step plan must be put into effect to induce a more healthy student attitude on campus elections. As a first move we can recommend two innovations. First, through cooperation of the faculty concerned, outgoing representatives on the SEC should arrange to introduce the candidates to the principal classes concerned. The nominees would be requested to say a few words on their respective platforms. The time lost to academic lectures would be small in comparison to the information gained by the electors. (A similar plan has functioned in past years for the election of Students' Society President and Union President). Second, and just as important, the introduction of candidates should be followed through with a mass meeting of students in the nominees' faculty at which candidates would be required to answer questions from the audience. The time to act is now.

In this way, and in this way only, will McGill students have the chance to vote intelligently.

Martlet Seeks Emblem For Winter Carnival

A contest for an emblem to decorate the posters and brochures of this year's McGill Winter Carnival has been announced by the Carnival committee.

To guide all those people who may be interested in entering, the committee has made some suggestions with regard to design. It should include the Carnival crest, featuring the toque and martlet, on a winter background. The Carnival colours are blue, white and red.

The judges will be partial to clear, simple designs. However, the emblem must contain the inscription "13th Annual McGill

Winter Carnival" and the date February 18-20, 1960 should be on the bottom.

Anyone may enter as many suggestions as he wishes. A spokesman has stated that last year's designer will enter the contest. Posters from previous years are available at the Tuck Shop for anyone who is interested in entering the contest.

The creator of the emblem selected for use will receive free entrance tickets for two to all Carnival events. Entries must be submitted to George at the Tuck Shop before Friday, November 13, 1959.

Nottingham Undergrad Handshakes to Record

While elevator cramming in the McGill Engineering Building became the current rage, a handshaking craze was taking place at Nottingham University.

Stephan Rowlinson, a 19-year-old economics student at the British university, recently undertook to break the record for handshaking. The record of 8,500 handshakes was set by former President of the U.S. Theodore Roosevelt in 1907.

For 10 hours and 10 minutes, Rowlinson walked around the campus shaking hands, while his fellow students recorded the number of handshakes on a blackboard. When the ambitious student finished, the total read 9001 handshakes.

Commenting on his accomplishment, Rowlinson said, "I feel pretty good physically, but I've got a sore arm and tennis elbow."

In the elevator packing department, McGill leads the field. Thirty-five Engineers, some of them co-eds, laden with books and coats recently enjoyed a ride on an

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The Cuban Consul will give an account of the present situation in his country and analyze Fidel Castro's political position. A representative of the Dominican Republic will be at hand to counter any accusations that might be made.

Mr. Gonzales, the Venezuelan Consul, will deliver a short speech and analysis of his native country and the political upheaval which led to the establishment of a democratic government.

The Consuls General from Venezuela, Argentina, Brazil, Mexico, and Cuba will all be members of the speakers panel. They will attempt to answer any questions that might be posed by the audience. In particular, they will comment on the causes and effects of the turbulence in the Latin American countries.

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Arrington Given Fraternity Bid

Barbara Arrington, the Negro student, whose attempt to join a sorority was met with "unofficial" discrimination, has been asked to pledge. The second year honour psychology student at St. Michael's College received an

invitation last week from the off-campus sorority, Beta Sigma Phi. A spokesman for the sorority commented, "We are a sorority which is known in fourteen countries, and there is no prejudice of race, colour, or creed".

Miss Arrington has not as yet decided whether or not to join the sorority. "I don't want to join any club too hastily, especially one of the fraternity type", she said. "A fraternity implies more than just membership. Loyalty is also required and I would have to consider the fraternity as well as myself", she added.

COMING

Today

LAST DAY FOR H-N PLUMBERS

Graduating Engineers and Architects (H-N) must have their photos taken by today.

CIC PRESENTS

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The Chemical Institute of Canada presents a social evening of students and faculty. Dr. J. Edward and a panel of professors will face questions from the audience. Refreshments will be served. Union Clubroom, 8 pm.

COMPULSORY DEBATE FOR NOVICES

Trials to select the Novice Debating Team continue. Topics are elsewhere in Daily. Walter Stewart Room, 1-4 pm.

FRENCH SOCIETY VIEWS FILM

The French Society presents the film "Julietta" with Jean Marais and Dany Robin. N. McLaren will also present short features. Members-25c, others-50c. PSCA 8:30 pm.

HILLEL DISCUSSES GIRLS

A student panel will discuss the topic, "Are Jewish Girls Too Security Minded". Hillel House, 1 pm.

HILLEL APPRECIATES THE FINE ARTS

An exhibit of art by Canadian Jewish artists is featured at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts. The commentator will be Mr. Harry Mayervitch. 1379 Sherbrooke St. 4:15 pm.

PRE-MEDS HEAR DR. METRAKOS

Dr. J. D. Metrakos will address the Pre-Med Society on "Test-tube Babies-Fiction, Fact and Future". Biology Building, Room 250, 1 pm.

MEETING OF NISEI CAMPUS CLUB

The Nisei Campus Club holds a general meeting. Arts Building, Room 235, 1 pm.

QUADRENNIAL GROUP HOLDS STUDY SESSION

A study group on "Life and Mission of the Church" meets as usual. They discuss "New Nationalisms". Union Club Room, 5 pm.

RADIO WORKSHOP GETS ON THE BEAM

The Radio Workshop group meets in the Attic Workshop, 1 pm.

MEETING TIMES SET FOR SCIENCE - FICTIONERS

The Science - Fiction Society meets to decide upon a new meeting time. Union Workshop, 1 pm.

SYMPHONIC BAND MUST HAVE MORE MUSICIANS

The Symphonic Band holds its weekly practice. Union Ballroom, 5 pm.

CHESS CLUB MOVES AHEAD

A regular meeting of the Chess Club takes place in the Union Lounge, 8 pm.

LIBERAL CLUB HEARS SPEAKER

Paul Hellyer, MP, will address the Liberal Club on "Two Years of Toryism" in Room 230, Sir George Williams College, 1435 Drummond St. 1 pm.

JUNIOR DANCERS SWING AGAIN

There will be a regular meeting of the Junior Modern Dance Club, which will be open to the entire student body. Come dressed for practical work. R.V.C. Gym, 4:15 pm.

P & OT UNDERGRADS START SWINGING

The first meeting of the Physical and Occupational Undergraduate Society will take place in the Walter M. Stewart Room, from 7:30 to 9:30 pm.

Bryant, Schiach Make The Casbah

"This is the sort of pair I would like on my T.V. show. Their approach is fresh, and new, and they are very funny," said George de Witt last Monday night.

He was referring to McGill students, Allan Schiach and Chris Bryant, who opened at the El Morocco to a packed house.

And the audience certainly echoed de Witt's comment by receiving the duo with gales of laughter; their skits, satires and songs were subtle and witty.

Bryant is a subtle and intelligent performer who is able by glance or gesture to set one laughing. Schiach serves admirably as straight man and is also quick on the ad lib. Together they have a range of dialects and accents which is staggering as well as entertaining.

Highlight of the evening's entertainment was an hilarious version of "Frankie and Johnny", sung by Schiach and commented upon by Bryant.

Although it was their first night (and, we understand, by no means their last) the act

was comparatively tightly knit although in patches they seemed a little unsure of their own material (the entire show was written by Bryant and Schiach and Stuart Marwick); but this unsureness will indubitably be perfected within the next few days.

During the second section of the show technical faults (outside the comedian's control) hampered their performance when the loudspeaker started blaring a pop tune in the middle of one of their routines! But they overcame the difficulty with successful elan and some clever ad-libbing. Bryant's pantomime of a stormy sea crossing saving the show. The piece was a controlled and delicate piece of acting which left most of the audience sick either from pretended motion of the ship or from laughter.

The show times are at 10:30, midnight and 1:30 nightly, in the Casbah Room of the El Morocco. Special interest to students is that there is no cover charge. R.X.T.

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KOMMENTS

by Henry MINTZBERG

It was an unhappy crew that sat in the Redmen dressing room late Saturday afternoon. They had tried their hardest, yet could not score against the Golden Gaels in the muddy game. Every time they moved within scoring territory, the Gael defence put on a great display of defensive power, while the Red and White could muster absolutely nothing. The ten yard line has been the local's nemesis throughout the 1959 season. The Redmen could have won 3 of their 5 league games to date had they not fallen apart every time they found themselves inside the 10. In two games, penalties fumbles, and interceptions have defeated the Redmen in these final 10 yards. Saturday, they were stopped by poor signal calling and a muddy field.

With Joe Irvin's single, one touchdown would have given the Redmen the win. They came so close, yet could not cross the goal line. The best chance came when Johnny Moore took a kickoff early in the second half and got into the clear. He was caught from behind on the Gael 30, however. We can even remember when a third down Gael snap late in the game went very high and could have gotten away. If it did, there would have been a Redmen recovery in the endzone. Oh, well! Again we wait until next year.

TIME FOR A CHANGE!

Frankly, we're getting darn sick of waiting until next year! It is not a matter of coincidence that McGill has not won a football title since 1938. There are reasons which must be investigated.

The key reason, we feel, is apathy. The apathetic attitude of the Redmen supporters is a very small part of the problem. The University itself is at fault. The whole intercollegiate athletic situation at McGill is deteriorating. There is no strong drive to lure good football players to McGill. There is no incentive on the part of the Athletic staff. It is time to wake up, to put a little life into the Athletic situation at McGill.

Surely, for instance, the Montreal Canadians could be encouraged to send prospective Hockey players to McGill. They could learn their hockey here; would not need salary, but be satisfied with paid education, and would be ready for professional hockey at the age of 21. It seems that this is being done at the University of Toronto.

Let us not do things half way. Either we enter Intercollegiate Football, Hockey, and Basketball with the same attitude as the other Universities or we pull out of this competition. We are most strongly against athletic scholarships. We feel that athletes should be treated as students are treated. We must, however, make attempts to get athletes to McGill, and once they are here, to get them to play.

We do not care for this situation. It would be far better to form teams with the talent available, not search for the talent to form the teams. But the point of the matter is that the others schools have more aggressive recruiting programmes. We must fight fire with fire, or decide that McGill cannot take the attitude of the University of Toronto, etc. The present situation cannot be allowed to continue.

OTHER IDEAS

The situation with the McGill cheerleaderettes is becoming ridiculous. This is 1959. There is no reason to have more boys on the field than girls. There is no reason to outlaw cartwheels. (It the field than girls. There is no reason to outlaw cartwheels. We are reasonable individuals. We invite the powers that be to explain the situation in an open letter to the Daily.

The band did not go to Kingston. They could not get enough of a turnout. Either organize a good band with attractive routines and interested students, or forget about the whole thing. We want a band that we can be proud of or none at all.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

It was a pleasant surprise to hear that Joe Poirier took the Big Four rookie award. Joe was a standout with the Redmen last year, but is probably far happier in the pro circuit. Although bright, he was far more interested in athletics than education. The winner of the Jeff Russell Memorial Trophy was former McMaster star Russ Jackson. This boy has been praised for turning down a Rhodes scholarship to play football. Wonderful; Canadian school children can gobble this up in newspapers across the country.

... the Blues and the Argos played at the same time in Toronto ... the Toronto papers were strong in their suggestions that fans go to the Blues-Western game... overheard from more than one Queen's fourth-estater "Wouldn't be surprised if the two underdogs win next Saturday... the spirit in Queen's is fantastic... few of the 2800 students were not present in the driving rain... big game next weekend — Daily staff to meet Georgian staff in touch-football action on Sunday.

Johnson, Swimmers Star In City

McGill athletes have been doing very well in various meets around the island. Victories in swimming and long distance running have been piled up.

TRACK

Pete Johnson, running for the Red and White, came out on top in the Provincial road race held on Mount Royal last Saturday. His 23 minute, 35 second time for the four mile plus distance was 6 seconds better than that of Michel Dore and 8 seconds better than Roland Michaud, both of Mount Royal-Francis Amis Club, which eventually took the championship.

Other McGillians, Gordon MacKay and Eddie Hume, placed eight and twentieth respectively. Had anyone else been entered for McGill, a second place would have come this way, for teams needed 4 entries to be eligible. Pete Adams, the best distance runner in the Intercollegiate circuit and

probably the best in Montreal could not attend the meet. Had he run, McGill would probably have taken the Star Trophy.

SWIMMING

Although MAAA copped the aggregate honours at the Nationale Swim Meet, McGill did well in several individual events.

Cameron Grout, Empire Games sensation confined his efforts to the relay which McGill won in 4:17.9. Having to come from behind, Grout won the butterfly lap. His effort, combined with the great showings of teammates, Dick Pound, Pete Reese and Pete

Manelski, brought the relay victory to McGill.

In the womens' events, June Walker of McGill placed second in the 100 yards free style race. However, MAAA, YMCA and WMHA took top honours in the total points department.

Women's Sports

Schedule

VOLLEYBALL: Intramural competition for all 6 teams, 7:30 at Currie gym. Intercollegiate at 8:30.

Intramural SPORTS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1959

Entries for Intramural Badminton, Squash, and Table Tennis may be made at the Intramural Office until Monday, November 9th, 1959.

Referees and Scorers are still needed for Volleyball, Basketball, and Floor Hockey. All interested please contact the Intramural Office.

Slaughter

At the moment the McGill Daily Football team is unbeaten. Our first game will take place on Sunday against the Georgian staff. (Georgian people are the un-athletic staffers of the Sir George Williams College rag). Danny Rapp, Sports Editor of the Georgian, will inform us this coming Saturday that his co-fourth estaters will be entirely afraid to play the huge Daily team. However, we will inform us this coming Saturday ter play us or else we won't send him copies of the Daily. Therefore the game will not take place unless we find a better persuasive approach.

All the Daily rocks will be there including the girls who will add moral support, by cheerleading and kicking injured Georgians. Any Redmen interested in playing may apply soon and pick up his press card and trench coat.

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